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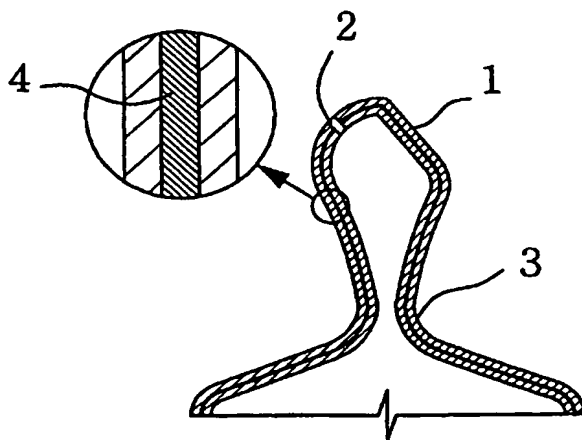
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(54) Title: AN ARTIFICIAL NIPPLE



(57) **Abstract:** The present invention relates to an artificial nipple. More particularly, the present invention relates to an artificial nipple, which has durability enough not to be torn with fatigue load resulting from teeth contact since fiber nets are embedded within the thickness of the artificial nipple, eliminates a difficulty in breathing by facilitating the flow of air, and prevents obstruction of the airway of an infant by distributing milk suction pressure when the infant sucks milk. The artificial nipple according to the present invention has a nipple body including a root portion, a teat portion with a feeding hole, and a narrow neck portion for making a connection between the root portion and the teat portion. The artificial nipple further comprises fiber nets (20) in the form of bands which are embedded within the thickness of the nipple body (10) such that they extend in a lengthwise direction L of the nipple body and are spaced apart from one another at a predetermined interval in a circumferential direction A of the nipple body, and an air inflow groove (15) formed in a portion of a surface of the nipple body (10)

which does not overlap with the fiber nets such that the air-flow groove is connected to the feeding hole (12).